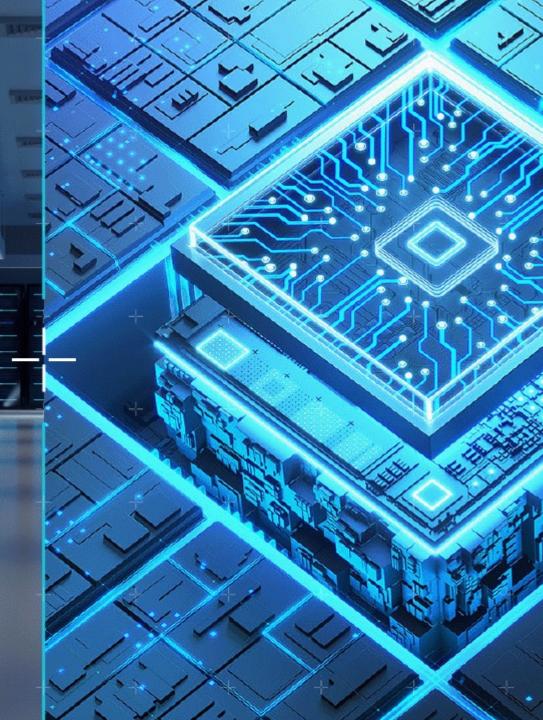




CMSIS-Stream and the Synchronous Data Streaming (SDS) Framework

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## CMSIS-Stream and Synchronous Data Streaming (SDS) Framework

Optimized block data streams of ML & DSP applications; verify with reproducible tests

#### What?

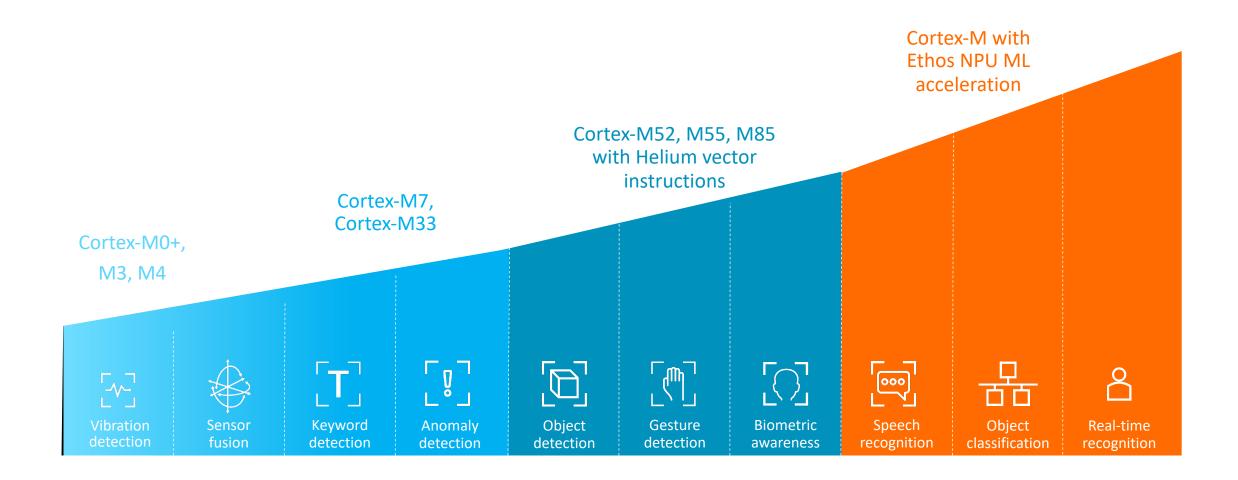
- DSP and ML compute algorithms are already validated. A modular design is easier to develop, configure, and maintain.
- Static scheduling of the algorithm call sequence is typically the optimal approach. CMSIS-Stream helps developers to minimize the overhead when combining algorithms.
- Using the SDS framework allows you to record data streams for input to ML training, DSP design tools, and replay with AVH simulation models during validation.

### Why?

- Developers use DSP and ML compute algorithms to compose complex applications. The parameters and data block sizes require configuration towards application requirements.
- These algorithms work on data blocks, potentially with different block sizes. Real-time constrains and memory limitations require optimization of the data stream between the algorithms.
- → Final integration tests require frequently realworld data that are captured with physical sensors. Reproducible tests on simulation models allow iterative and agile development.

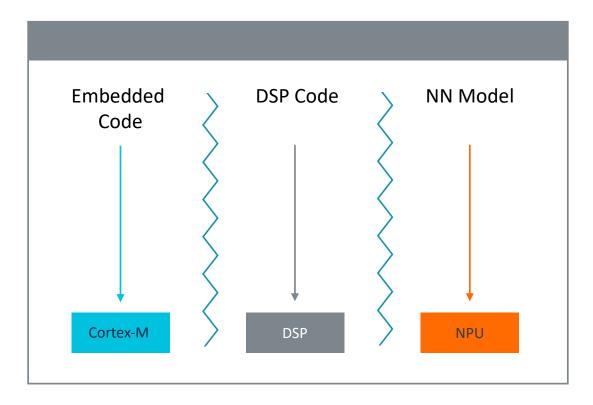


## Addressing a Wide Range of ML Edge Device Applications





### Unified Software Development: Fastest Path to Endpoint Al





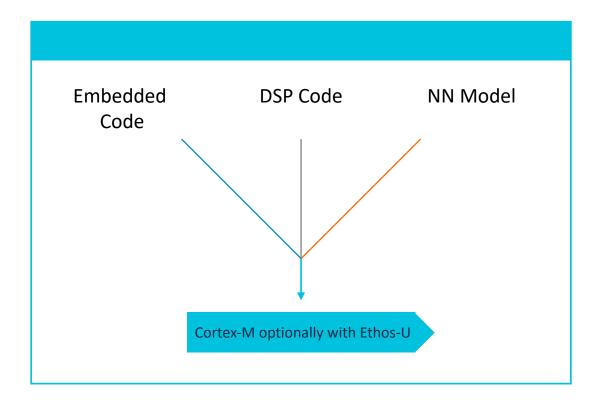
Multiple software development flows



Harder to program and debug



More complex, longer time to market





Unified software development flow



Works with common ML frameworks and existing tools

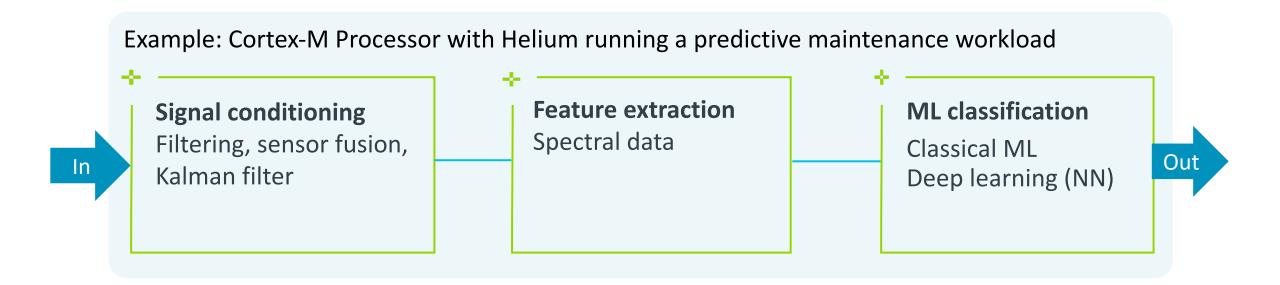


More productivity, faster time to market



## Core Compute Capabilities for a Modern Development Flow

Access to DSP/ML capabilities without specialized tools simplifies development







## **CMSIS-Stream**

Optimized data streaming for ML and DSP applications



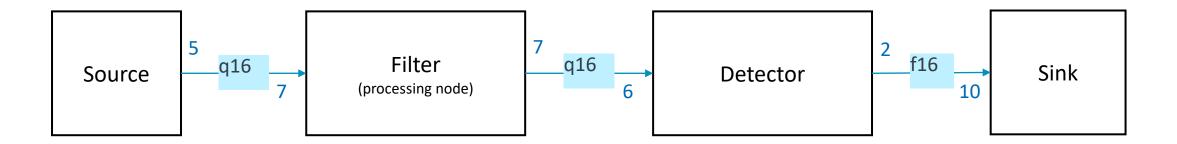
### **CMSIS-Stream**

Methods, interfaces, and tools for data block streaming

- + Compute Graph: the decomposition of the application in a <u>directed acyclic graph</u> that shows the data flow. It describes the data formats, FIFO buffers, data streams (arcs:), and processing steps (nodes:). The Compute Graph is defined using a Python file.
- → Tools: to convert the Compute Graph to schedule processing steps at build-time based on Python file information.
- + Interfaces: header files, templates, and methods for data management (that works also on AMP systems).
- ── <u>Usage Examples:</u> that help a software developer to get started (should provide also examples using various DSP and ML eco-system tools).



### Compute Graph



- → Nodes may have multiple inputs or outputs, produce different size buffers, or use different data formats
- This requires FIFO buffering and potentially format conversions between node inputs/outputs



## Overview of generating a compute graph

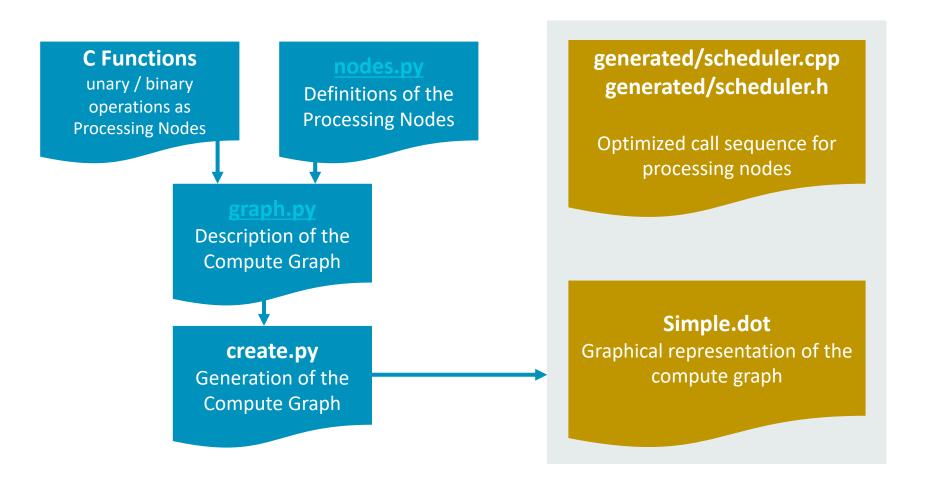
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Processing Nodes implement the compute operations. Two ways to define it:

- nodes.py class definition.
- Class that integrates C Functions

The **graph.py** describes the compute graph and effectively connects the Processing Nodes.

The **create.py** calls the Python scripts the generate the compute graph.





## Example Description of a Compute Graph (graph.py)

https://github.com/ARM-software/CMSIS-DSP/tree/main/ComputeGraph/examples/simpledsp

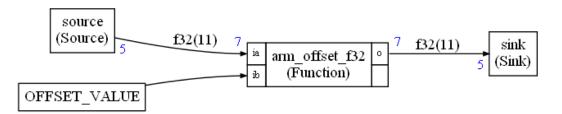
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# Define data type 'float' used for all IOs
floatType=CType(F32)
# A source processing node that creates 5 samples.
# The C function "source" generates 5 samples.
src=Source("source",floatType,5)
# A binary operation with 2 inputs and 1 output.
# C func "arm offset f32" consumes/produces 7 samples.
processing=Binary("arm offset f32",floatType,7)
# A processing node that produces a constant value.
# C identifier "OFFSET VALUE" is the constant value.
offsetValue=Constant("OFFSET VALUE")
# A Sink processing node that consumes 5 samples.
# C function "sink" gets 5 samples as input.
sink=Sink("sink",floatType,5)
```

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# Create a Compute Graph object.
the_graph = Graph()

# Connect output of src to input ia of processing.
the_graph.connect(src.o,processing.ia)

# Connect constant offsetValue to input ib of processing.
the_graph.connect(offsetValue,processing.ib)

# Connect output of processing to input of sink.
the_graph.connect(processing.o,sink.i)
```





### **CMSIS-Stream Documentation**

https://github.com/ARM-software/CMSIS-stream

- → How to get started
  - Simple graph creation example
- How to write the Python script and the C++ wrappers
  - How to describe the graph in Python
  - How to write the C++ wrappers to use your functions in the graph
  - Nodes for working with CMSIS-DSP
  - Details about the generated C++ scheduler
- + Examples

- + API Details
  - Python API for creating a graph and its scheduling
  - C++ default nodes for C++ wrappers
  - Python default nodes for Python wrappers
- + Memory optimizations
- + Extensions
  - Cyclo-static scheduling
  - Dynamic / Asynchronous mode
- + Maths principles
- + FAQs



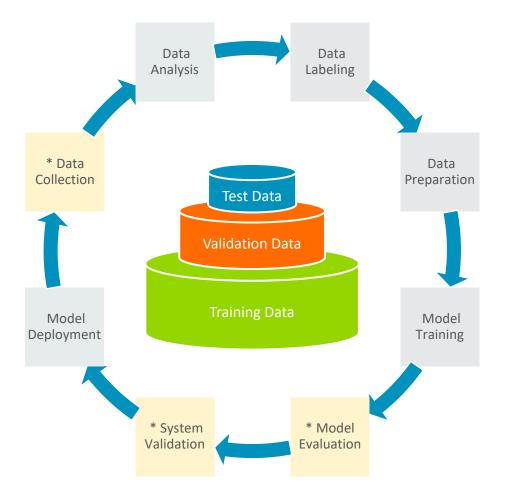


## SDS Framework

Capture multiple synchronous data streams for algorithm analysis and ML training

## MLOps: deploy and maintain Machine Learning (ML) models

Combines machine learning data analytics with continuous development (DevOps)



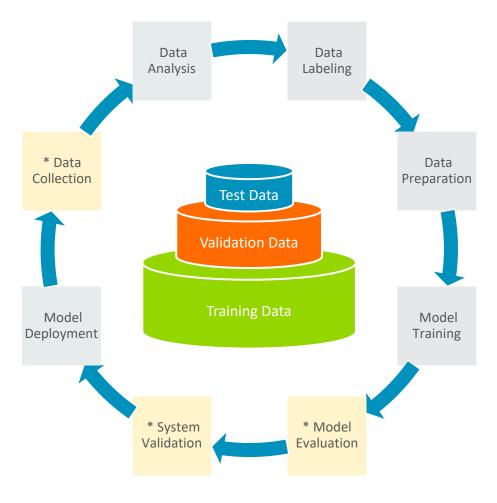
- ML models are tested and developed in isolated systems.
- + MLOps is an iterative process to transition the ML model to production systems.
- + Adding ML is an evolutionary process.
- Evaluation and validation require the model to run on target hardware.

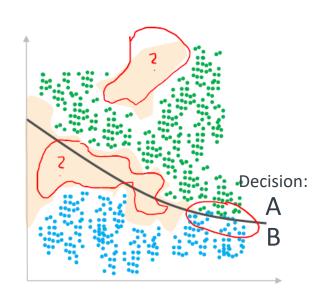


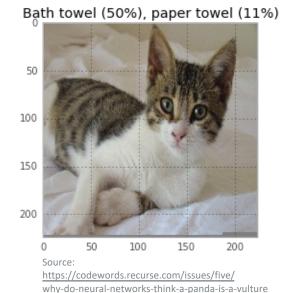
<sup>\*</sup> Supported by Arm Virtual Hardware and SDS Framework

### Machine Learning (ML) Requires Real-World Data

Data collection requires frequently inputs of the final target system









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### Arm Virtual Hardware – FVPs

- Precise simulation models of Cortex-M device sub-systems designed for complex software verification and testing on desktop or cloud systems
- + Runs any RTOS or bare metal code
- + Provides <u>virtual peripheral interfaces</u> for I/O simulation
- Enables test automation of diverse software workloads, including unit, integration tests, and fault injection
- Cloud service integration for CI/CD and
   MLOps development flows

Arm Fixed Virtual Platforms (FVPs) of all Cortex-M Processors

#### Cortex-M

- TrustZone
- SIMD
- Helium

#### Memory

- Secure/ Non-secure
- DMA

#### Virtual I/O

- Data values
- Streaming
- BSD-Socket

#### Peripherals

microNPU

- GPIO
- UART, SPI, I<sup>2</sup>C

Ethos-U65/U55

Ethernet

#### Debug Interface

- MDK, DS
- GDB
- Event Recorder

### Developer Resources

- I/O drivers
- Test scripts
- CI/CD integration
- Usage examples
- Test report tools

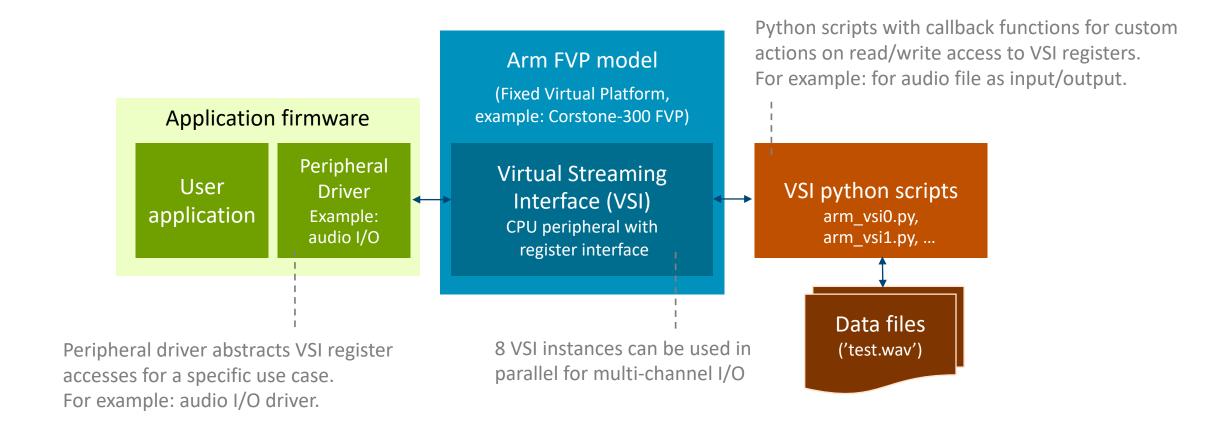
# Cloud Service Integration

- Arm FVP models
- C/C++ Compiler
- Build utilities



## Virtual Streaming Interface (VSI)

Flexible I/O for a wide range of use cases, for example: sensors, audio, and video

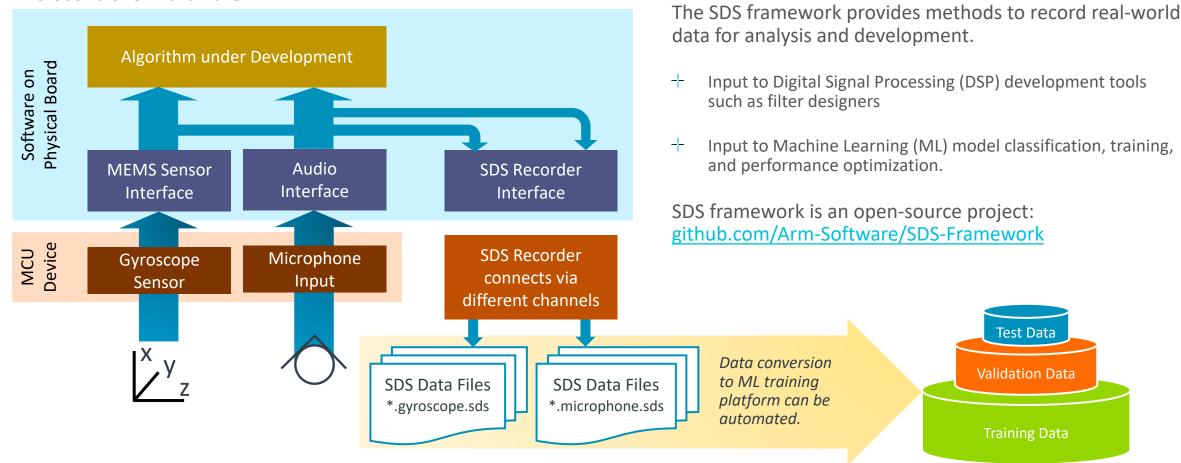




## Record real-world data with Synchronous Data Streaming (SDS)

Simplify Development of Embedded Applications that utilize DSP or ML algorithms with Sensor/Audio Input

#### Microcontroller Hardware

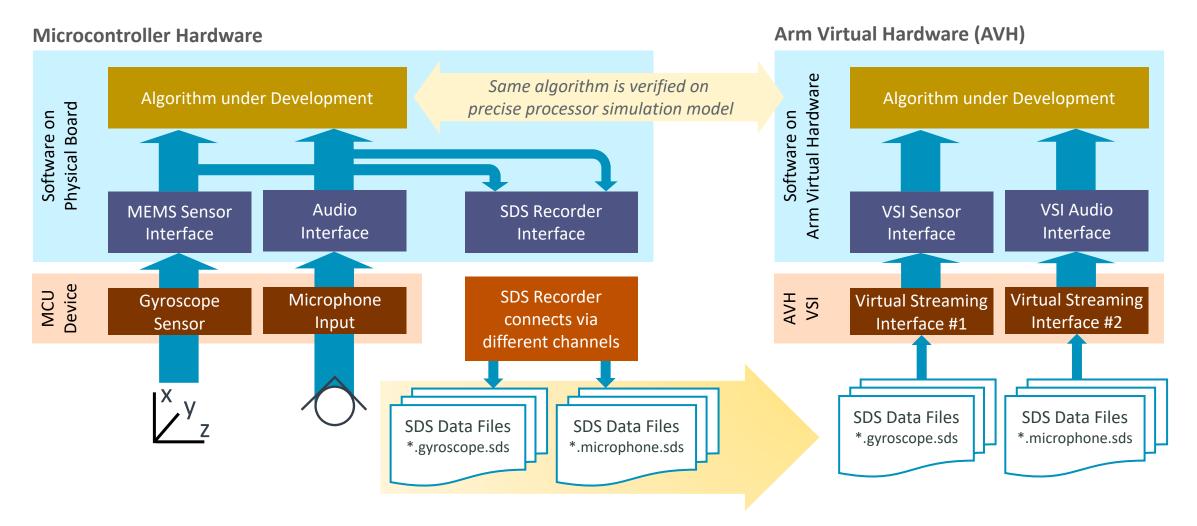


Capture physical sensor (real-world) data using the original Microcontroller target hardware



## SDS enables playback of real-world data for algorithm testing

Combined with AVH it enables repeatable test automation in CI systems and MLOps cloud services

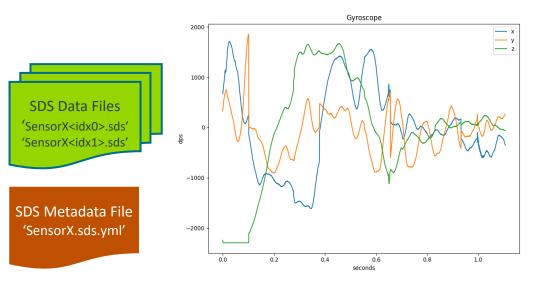


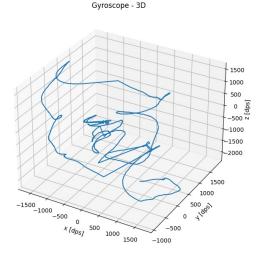


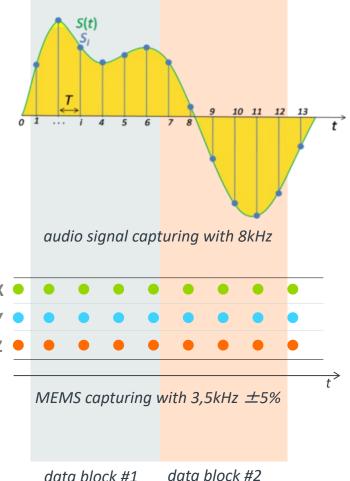
## SDS: flexible stream management for sensor and audio data

Supports the whole development cycle: data recording, analysis, ML training, playback

- Single or multiple data streams, including sensor fusion with clock deviations
  - Sensors may have independent clock sources with tolerances
- SDS Metadata file describes content of SDS data files
- Python-based utilities for recording, playback, visualization, data conversion, and algorithm verification with off-line tools















## Demo

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## MLOps workflow exemplified with TDK Qeexo AutoML

#### CAPTURE DATA

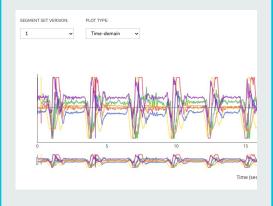
#### DATA IMPORT TO MLOPS

#### ML MODEL TRAINING

#### DEPLOY TO TARGET

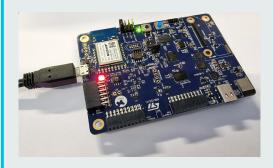
- + Add SDS framework to target application
- + Define sensors channels and capturing frequency
- Create metadata files to describe sensor data
- + Capture SDS data files
- + Verify SDS data files using a viewer

- + Convert SDS data files and label data
- Upload data files to
   MLOps system, for
   example Qeexo AutoML



- → Data cleaning and preprocessing
- + Feature extraction
- + ML model selection
- + Parameter optimization
- + Model Validation
- Model conversion and download

- + Integrate ML model library in target project
- → Validate ML model using Arm Virtual Hardware
- + Final system test in target hardware







# Demo

**TDK Qeexo AutoML** 

































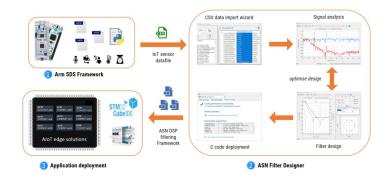
# arm

# Summary



### More Information

### ASN Filter Designer



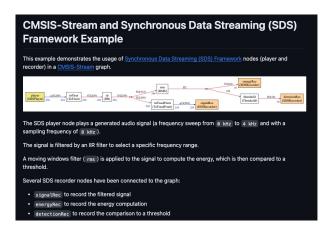
Design of AloT algorithms
 with the ASN Filter Designer
 and the Arm SDS Framework
 and their deployment to
 STM32 microcontrollers

### **Qeexo AutoML**



 Discover how to create machine learning solutions for industrial conditionbased monitoring (CbM), predictive maintenance, and anomaly detection.

### **Example Project**



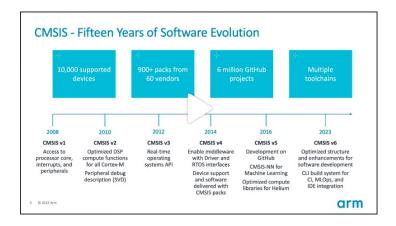
 This example demonstrates the usage of Synchronous Data Streaming (SDS) Framework nodes (player and recorder) in a CMSIS-Stream graph.



### **CMSIS** Webinar Series

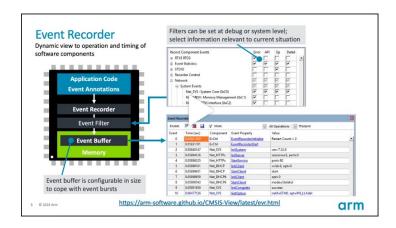
### Check out our previous episodes

### CMSIS v6 Overview



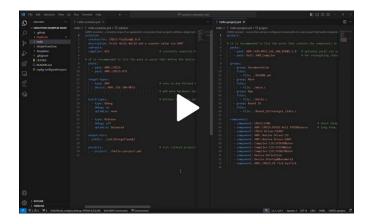
- We explain what's new and how to migrate to version 6.
- The session consists of a presentation and some hands-on demos.

### **CMSIS-View/Compiler**



Learn how to use event annotations and retargeting for printf or file I/O in combination with middleware.

#### **CMSIS-Toolbox**



Learn how to use the new YAML based project format for IDE integration, CI and MLOps systems. It supports portable builds on Linux, MacOS, and Windows.





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